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CLAIMS

- 1. A remote starting system shutoff for a vehicle, comprising: a vehicle power plant;
- a remote starting system connected to said vehicle power plant;
- a transmitter that actuates said remote starting system to start said vehicle power plant; and

a vehicle hazard switch that is located in a passenger compartment of said vehicle and has first and second positions,

wherein when said hazard switch is in said first position, said vehicle power plant can be started using said transmitter and when said hazard switch is in said second position, said vehicle power plant cannot be started using said transmitter.

- 2. The remote starting system shutoff of claim 1 wherein after said vehicle power plant is started, said remote starting system turns said power plant off if said hazard switch transitions from said first position to said second position.
- 3. The remote starting system shutoff of claim 1 wherein said transmitter is a radio frequency transmitter.
- 4. The remote starting system shutoff of claim 1 wherein said vehicle power plant is selected from the group of internal combustion engines, diesel engines, hybrids and fuel cells.
 - 5. A remote starting system shutoff for a vehicle, comprising: a vehicle power plant;
 - a remote starting system connected to said vehicle power plant;

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a transmitter that actuates said remote starting system to start said
vehicle power plant; and

a vehicle hazard switch that is located in a passenger compartment of said vehicle and has first and second positions,

wherein after said vehicle power plant is started, said remote starting system turns said power plant off if said switch transitions from said first position to said second position.

- 6. The remote starting system shutoff of claim 5 wherein when said hazard switch is in said second position, said vehicle power plant cannot be started using said transmitter and when said hazard switch is in said first position, said vehicle power plant can be started using said transmitter.
- 7. The remote starting system shutoff of claim 5 wherein said transmitter is a radio frequency transmitter.
- 8. The remote starting system shutoff of claim 5 wherein said vehicle power plant is selected from the group of internal combustion engines, diesel engines, hybrids and fuel cells.
- 9. A method for remotely starting and shutting off a vehicle, comprising the steps of:

connecting a remote starting system to a vehicle power plant; actuating said remote starting system using a transmitter to start said vehicle power plant;

coupling a vehicle hazard switch that is located in a passenger compartment of said vehicle and has first and second positions to said remote starting system;

enabling starting of said vehicle power plant using said remote starting system if said hazard switch is in said first position; and

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disabling starting of said vehicle power plant using said remote starting system if said hazard switch is in said second position.

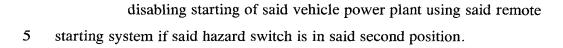
- 10. The method of claim 9 further comprising the step of turning said power plant off if said hazard switch transitions from said first position to said second position after said vehicle power plant is started using said remote starting system.
- 11. The method of claim 9 wherein said transmitter is a radio frequency transmitter.
- 12. The method of claim 9 further comprising the step of selecting said vehicle power plant from the group of internal combustion engines, diesel engines, hybrids and fuel cells.
- 13. A method for shutting off a remotely started vehicle, comprising the steps of:

connecting a remote starting system to a vehicle power plant; actuating said remote starting system using a transmitter to start said vehicle power plant;

coupling a vehicle hazard switch having first and second positions to said remote starting system, wherein said hazard switch is located in a vehicle passenger compartment; and

turning said power plant off if said hazard switch transitions from said first position to said second position after said vehicle power plant is started using said remote starting system.

14. The method of claim 13 further comprising the steps of: enabling starting of said vehicle power plant using said remote starting system if said hazard switch is in said first position; and



- 15. The method of claim 13 wherein said transmitter is a radio frequency transmitter.
- 16. The method of claim 13 further comprising the step of selecting said vehicle power plant from the group of internal combustion engines, diesel engines, hybrids and fuel cells.